# **Important Information for Junior Operators**

Congratulations on passing your permit exam! Your permit grants you certain driving privileges, but also carries responsibilities...

- Remember you need to have a licensed operator with you when you drive.
- ✓ Don't drive between the hours of 12:00 am and 5:00 am unless you are with a licensed parent or guardian.





## Driver-Parent/Guardian Contract

Consider using the Driver-Parent/Guardian Contract to clarify responsibilities when you get behind the wheel such as vehicle maintenance and driving privileges. This contract can be downloaded from the RMV's website at mass.gov/rmv in the Teens and Parents section.



# **Supervised Driving Log**

Use the Supervised Driving Log to keep track of your required 40 hours of supervised driving with your parent/guardian (30 hours if you complete a driver skills development program). Download the log from the RMV's website at mass.gov/rmv in the Teens and Parents section.

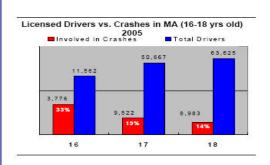
### **New Driver's Education Requirements for Teens**

If you obtained your learner's permit on or after September 1, 2007, you will be required to meet the following driver's education requirements...

- 1. Complete a driver's education course that consists of 30 hours classroom instruction, 12 hours of "behind-thewheel" training, and 6 hours of "in-car" experience observing other students
- 2. Complete either...
  - √ 40 hours of supervised driving with a parent or guardian

OR

- √ 30 hours of supervised driving if the applicant has successfully completed a driver skills development program
- Your parent/guardian must take part in two hours of driver's education instruction
- 4. Pass a final exam administered by the Registry of Motor Vehicles or driving school



#### **Teen Driver Statistics**

Motor vehicle crashes are the number one killer of teens in the nation. New drivers are four times more likely to be killed and 14 times more likel to be injured than any other group.

# **Safe Driving**

Regular driving situations may seem like a piece of cake, but there is a lot more to driving than knowing where the gas and brake pedals are. It takes practice and time to develop and maintain good driving skills. You must <u>constantly</u> be aware of your surroundings - the cars, motorcycles, pedestrians, and bicyclists around you, as well as your speed, signs, and more. Visit mass.gov/rmv for a list of safe driving tips.

### **Permit Violations**

Significant increases in penalties and reinstatement fees took effect in March 2007 for Junior Operators who commit certain violations. Refer to the chart below for a complete list of penalties and reinstatement fees.

Permit Violation	1 <sup>st</sup> Offense	2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense	3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense
Unaccompanied by Licensed Driver	60 day suspension \$100 reinstatement Reapply for Permit	180 day suspension Driver Attitudinal Retraining Course \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit	1 year suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit
Drag- Racing	1 year suspension Driver Attitudinal Retraining Course & SCARR* Reapply for Permit \$500 reinstatement fee	3 year suspension Driver Attitudinal Retraining Course & SCARR* Reapply for Permit \$1000 reinstatement fee	3 year suspension Driver Attitudinal Retraining Course & SCARR* Reapply for Permit \$1000 reinstatement fee
Time Restriction Violation 12am-5am	60 day suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit	180 day suspension Driver Attitudinal Retraining Course \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit	1 year suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply Permit
Speeding	90 day suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit	1 year suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit	1 year suspension \$100 reinstatement fee Reapply for Permit

<sup>\*</sup>Junior Operators are only required to complete the SCARR course once.

### **Check the Status of your Driver's Ed Certificate**

Visit the RMV's website at mass.gov/rmv to verify if your Driver's Ed Certificate has been processed. If your certificate has been processed and you have met all other JOL requirements, you can book your road test!

Call 617-351-4500 or 800-858-3926 to book your road test.

Visit the RMV's website at mass.gov/rmv and click the Teens and Parents section for more information such as...

- \* Locate a Driving School in your town
- \* Review safe driving tips
- \* Download forms

